

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
WESTERN DIVISION**

ERIC BERNARD,

Plaintiff,

V.

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF
CORRECTIONS, *et al.*,

Defendants.

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Case No. 20-cv-50412

Honorable Iain D. Johnston

Honorable Margaret J.

Schneider

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL

Now comes Oren Nimni, as one of Plaintiff's current counsel, and hereby seeks leave of Court under Local Rule 83.17 to withdraw as counsel for Plaintiff. In support, Mr. Nimni states as follows:

1. Mr. Nimni and the non-profit, Right Behind Bars were retained in a limited role as expert counsel to advise on claims that no longer remain in this matter following this Court's order on Defendants' motion to dismiss. As such, counsel's services are no longer required on this matter.
2. Plaintiff has been, and will continue to be, represented by Michael Kanovitz and Kelly Jo Popkin as part of the firm Loevy & Loevy.
3. No party will be prejudiced if Mr. Nimni is permitted to withdraw his appearance in this matter.

Therefore, Mr. Nimni respectfully requests that the Court enter an Order permitting him to withdraw his appearance as counsel.

Dated: February 23, 2023

Respectfully submitted:

/s/Oren Nimni

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Oren Nimni, an attorney, hereby certify that on February 23, 2023, I filed a copy of the foregoing via the CM/ECF system, which effected service on all counsel of record.

Dated: February 23, 2023

/s/ Oren Nimni